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In response to the Office Action mailed January 15, 2002, in conjunction with the
above-captioned patent application, and having a shortened statutory period for response of
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